Great Sand Dunes

Free Ranger Programs September 19 - September 24, 2016

Monday, September 19

3:30 pm Afternoon Program - "Tracks In The Wild" - Explore a portion of the Great Sand Dunes preserve and discover which of our wild animals have left their telltale tracks behind and some unique historic uses for plants! Half-mile hike, meet at the Montville Nature Trailhead. Bug spray, sunscreen, water, and ball cap recommended. 45 minutes

Tuesday, September 20

3:30pm – Afternoon Program - "Shining Through the Fire" - Come learn how beautiful natural objects and diverse people have endured literal and metaphorical heat to come out 'Shining Through the Fire'. Touch real meteorites, a small tube of glass formed by lightning and artifacts from various cultures! Visitor Center, 30 minutes

Wednesday, September 21

3:30 pm Afternoon Program - "Tracks In The Wild" - Explore a portion of the Great Sand Dunes preserve and discover which of our wild animals have left their telltale tracks behind and some unique historic uses for plants! Half-mile hike, meet at the Montville Nature Trailhead. Bug spray, sunscreen, water, and ball cap recommended. 45 minutes

Thursday, September 22

3:30 pm Afternoon Program – "Dunes Mystery" - Come discover the powerful forces which created the dunes and surrounding pristine environment that stands alone in mystery. Visitor Center, 30 minutes

Friday, September 23

3:30pm – Afternoon Program - "Shining Through the Fire" - Come learn how beautiful natural objects and diverse people have endured literal and metaphorical heat to come out 'Shining Through the Fire'. Touch real meteorites, a small tube of glass formed by lightning and artifacts from various cultures! Visitor Center, 30 minutes

Saturday, September 24

8pm Evening Program – "The Park after Dark" - Half the park is after dark! Discover the beautiful secrets of owls, nocturnal animals, stars, planets, galaxies, our moon, and meteors. Touch real pieces of the Moon and Mars! Brief constellation tour with laser pointer and telescope afterward, weather permitting. Amphitheater, 45 minutes